## **CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

Claims 1-20 (withdrawn)

Claim 21 (currently amended): A composition comprising

(A) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of formulae

(Ia), (IIa), (IVa) and (Va)

$$O=C(\frac{1}{2}OCH_2OCH_3)_2$$
 (IIa)

(la)

$$[O-P(-O-CH_2-CH_2-O-CH_3)_3] \qquad (IIIa)$$

$$S(-OCH2-CH2OCH3)2$$
 (IVa)

$$Si(-OCH2-OH2-OCH3)4$$
 (Va)

and

(B) a conducting salt LiBF<sub>4</sub> or a mixture of LiBF<sub>4</sub> and LiPF<sub>6</sub>.

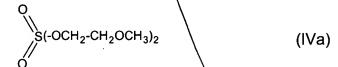
Claim 25 (new): A composition as claimed in claim 21 comprising

(A) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of formulae

(la), (lla) and (lVa)

$$B(-OCH2-CH2OCH3), (Ia)$$

$$O=C(-OCH2CH2OCH3)2 (IIa)$$



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and

(B) a conducting salt LiBF₄ or a mixture of LiBF₄ and LiPF₆.

Claim 26 (new): A composition comprising

- (A) O-P(-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>
- and
- (B) a conducting salt LiBF<sub>4</sub>.

Claim 27 (new): A composition as claimed in claim 21 comprising

- (A) Si(-OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>
- and
- (B) a conducting salt LiBF<sub>4</sub> or a mixture of LiBF<sub>4</sub> and LiPF<sub>6</sub>.